



James L. Bond
President

VIA ECFS

March 7, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554
Attn: Wireline Competition Bureau

**Re: WC Docket No. 10-90
Rural Broadband Experiment Expression of Interest – Rate-of-Return & Price Cap Areas
Public Service Telephone Company, Inc.**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Public Service Telephone Company, Inc. ("Public Service") hereby expresses interest in participating in the Commission's rural broadband experiments to provide robust, scalable high-speed broadband to unserved high-cost areas with additional Connect America funding.¹ Public service is a rate-of-return incumbent local exchange carrier serving rural areas of Georgia and proposes deployment as follows:

Proposed Price Cap Service Area

The experiment will provide broadband service to 829 eligible high-cost locations in unserved high-cost Census Blocks within these Census Tract(s):

	County	Tract
Georgia	Lamar	13171970100, 13171970200, 13171970300
	Bibb	13021013604, 13021013900

Proposed Rate of Return Service Area

Public Service proposes to install and/or upgrade broadband facilities to 1250 unserved premises within the regulated service territory in Taylor, Macon, Marion, Talbot, Crawford, Bibb, Monroe and Upson Counties Georgia.

¹ See *Technology Transitions et al.*, GN Docket No. 13-5 et al., Order, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Report and Order, Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Proposal for Ongoing Data Initiative, FCC 14-5 (rel. Jan. 31, 2014).

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Proposed Broadband Service

Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of 30 Mbps downstream/10 Mbps upstream provided over the Fiber and Coax cable plant funded by this request.

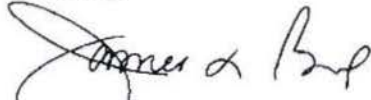
Funding

Public Service requests \$6.2M in funding from Connect America Funds in a one-time funding.

Public Service expects service to be offered to all unserved customers within one year after construction starts.

Public Service appreciates the opportunity to provide this non-binding expression of interest. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James L. Bond", written over a circular stamp or seal.

James L. Bond

President

Public Service Telephone Company